TREND OF TRADE.

Liabilities of Business Failures for

The Third Quarter

LOWER THAN ANY QUARTER

For Twenty-Three Years in all

Branches of Commercial Activity.

THE VOLUME OF BUSINESS

in September Continues Larger than in

The Same Month of 1892-Evidences of

Reviving Prosperity are the more Im

portant Because Prices for Manufac

tured Products have Advanced but Mod-

erately-Speculative Markets Declining.

Productive Industry to Shewing Re

markable Gains and a Steady Revival

NEW YORK, Oct 1-R. G. Dun &

Co.'s weekly review of trade will say

The failures during the third quarte

of 1897, obtained yesterday by telegraph,

were 2,903, with Habilities of \$28,963,261,

of which twenty-nine were in banking

for \$3,387,069, commercial failures 2,874

with liabilities of \$25,576,192, average on-

ly \$3,899 each, lower than in any other

amount of defaulted liabilities is the

smallest in any quarter for five years

and in fifteen years only six quarters

have shown smaller liabilities. Manu-

facturing failures, 651, with Mabilities of

\$9,431,191, average but \$14,487 each, and trading 2,164, with liabilities of \$12,825,-

065, average but \$5,927 each, both small

er in average of liabilities than in any

previous year of which classified re

cords exist.

The volume of legitimate business continues a little larger than in the same month of 1892, for while the great increase of 27.4 per cent at New York for the week might be supposed to be due to speculative activity, in spite of the establishment and growth of the stock exchange clearing house, yet payments through the principal clearing

ments through the principal clearing houses outside of New York exceeded

houses outside of New York exceeded those of 1592 by 3.5 per cent for the week, and 2.0 per cent for September. New York makes settlements for a large part of the country and the daily average including this city, was in Sept., \$206,354,000 against \$134,859,000 last year, \$123,310,000 in 1894, \$122,733,000 in 1893, and \$175,227,000 in 1893, and \$175,227,000 in 1893, and \$175,227,000 in 1893, by the same property over the same mouth in the heat

gain over the same month in the best of past years is 17.0 per cent. These evi-

rty, as H the large Cops which make grain and cotton weak, would not as-sure increased business to railways and warrant better prices for stocks.

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Speculation in wheat and cotton had
been set back by bright crop prospects.

The wheat estimates of \$90,000,000 bushels, against 200,000,000 more than would
be required for food and seed, leaving
the smallest stocks for all years without replenishment, was followed by de-

out replenishment, was followed by de crease in foreign buying and cause

crease in foreign outling and caused weakness. Yet, western receipts for four weeks were but 27,825,554 bushels, against 24,004,044 for the same week last year and Atlantic exports flour includ-ed are 16,325,113 bushels, against 8,176,-324 last year, while Pacific shipments are also, very heavy and corn exports continue over 70 per cent more than last

The price of wheat has declined five cents and of corn nearly two cents for the week. Dismal reports have been frequent, but the market shows more faith in predictions of a large yield and the price has declined 1/2 for the week. Turning from speculative markets to productive industry, the change in tone is striking. All industries are pushed to increase working force with occasional rise in rates of wages, by the growing demand. This is largely for replenishment of stocks, but dispatches show that retail trades at nearly all northern

ment of stocks, but dispatches show that retail trade at nearly all northern points continues to expand, and dealers will know that increase of working force and of wages ensures a larger dis-tribution of goods. Anxious appeals for speedy deliveries disclose more rapid distribution already than had been ex-

orks are hindered from taking as lit

eral orders as they might by doubts about future prices, though having enough to do for some time. The advance in cotton goods has been checked by the decline in material, but in woolen goods the advance in prices has been small compared with the rise in wool, which is helped by stronger prices at London sales. The dealings, mainly speculative, have amounted to \$6,501,100 pounds in four weeks \$6,572,200 being domestic, but recent sales of very large

nestic, but recent sales of very large ots suggest that profit taking may have

Slower to gain, because less affected

by replemanment of dealers, stocks than other industries, the fron manufacture has been pushed to further expansion

by growing demand for finished products, which has caused a little furth

ected and in textile manufactures

ral orders as they might by

quarter for twenty-three years.

In all Lines.

in its issue to-morrow:

# A CRUSHING BLOW

Being Planned by Prosecution in the Luctgert Trial.

DOUBLES OF MRS. LUETGERT

Identified by Several Witnesses as the Original

WILL BE PLACED ON THE STAND

And Explain How They were Mistaken For the Woman Who is Alleged to Have Been Beiled to Death by Her Unappreciative Husband - The Experts Still Harping on Bones-Dr. Allport Has a Very Disagreeable Day on the Stand-lie is Again Tripped Up by the Prosecution-A Bit of Caustie Repartee.

planning the delivery of a crushing blow to the defense in the Luctgert murder trial. When this blow reaches the solar plexis of this case all sesathe solar plexis of this case all sesa-moids, phalanges, temporals, and other anatomical exhibits will be knocked out of consideration for the time being. It is now asserted that the prosecution will produce upon the witness stand three of the women whom witnesses have identified as Mrs. Luetgert. One of these is the women who was seen by half a dozen persons in Kenosha, Wis., on May 4 and 5. She is row in Chicago eing watched constantly by a This is the woman who left one station. She was described by several witnesses who saw her at the north-western station in Kenosha and at two of the leading hotels of the town and identified by means of a photograph as Mrs Luetgert, This woman will put on the witness stand. She will reofficials and others in Kenosha police officials and others in Kenosna, it is said. The woman is claimed to be a character well known in certain dis-tricts of Chicago.

TRACED BY DETECTIVES.

Detective De Celle has traced the Detective De Celle has traced the wo-man met on the country road near Ke-nosha, May 5, by Fred. Schebe, and identified as Mrs. Luetgert, to Joilet, where she is now said to be located. She will be called to the witness stand, it is said, and will testify that she is a local evangelist-and was in the vicinity of Kenosha on the date mentioned in the interest of some religious work. Chi-cago detectives are now in the vicinity of Eigh, Ili., running down the story of Peddler Ondyke, who positively identi-Peddler Opdyke, who positively identi grove near his wagon at Lake Urich, near Eigin, on the night of June 4, as Mrs. Luetgert. It has been discovered, it is said, that these women were sypsies who belonged to a band of nomads seen in the vicinity of Eigin during the first two weeks of June. If this testimony is introduced and well supported, it will have the effect of Discounty and the doubt as to the identifications of witnesses who believe they saw Mrs. Luetgert soon after her disappearance. The production of the women who have been

identified as Mrs. Luetgert will follow the closing of the evidence of the de fense and will be in the nature of rebut tal evidence.

ALLPORT'S WEARY DAY.

The monotony of the scientific and painfully technical proceedings of the trial to-day was relieved by a hearty laugh at the expense of Dr. Allport, the lef osteological expert of the defe chief osteological expert of the defense, during the afternoon session. Dr. All-port had identified a piece of bone as the temporal of a human being. He ob-served that the bone would indicate that the person had been large and

"Yes, I suppose he was," observed Assistant State's Attorney McEwen, "He was a gorilla."

This announcement rather staggered

Dt. Allport, but he joined in the general laugh among lawyers, experts and

speciators.

There was a warm illi between the witness and Assistant State's Attorney McEwen during the afternoon. After answering a question, Dr. Allport proceeded to give a little explanatory lecture. ture, digressing somewhat from the subject under consideration, When he paused McEwan gazed at the witness a moment and remarked: "You are a

Ex-Judge Vincent was on his feet in a

A little rebuke like that is good for one people," remarked Assistant tate's Attorney McEwen, "One small lead does not contrin all there is to Ex-Judge Vincent continued to de

mand that his chief anatomist be pro-tected by the court. Judge Tuthill put a stop to the dispute by leaning over his desk and remarking: "Gentlement proceed with the trial of this case." LECTURE ON BONES.

Allport never worked harder delivering a lecture on descriptive and comparative anatomy before class in the Northwestern University than he did in his descriptive talk be i he did in his descriptive talk bethe jury in the Luctgert case toHe drew diagrams and pictures of
Mincluding human segamoids, temthe production of the control of the
following human segamoids, temthe production. Then he drew more picthe same hones in the lower anis and compared them, pointing our
Misserse Pays in the crowded court constrator. It was Greek to nearl except the attorneys and experts jurors followed the descriptive tal

vere cross examination took e severe cross examination took iderable degree of positiveness on he witness. The questions put it by Assistant State's Attorney Mo-n, but framed by Professor Dorse of his knowledge of bones severely After failing into several cleverly is pitfalls, Dr. Allport became wary. I were were not so prompt, decisive tense as at first. He hesitated and

and torse as at first. He hesitated and explained, and when the ordeal was over the witness was much pleased.

The battle of the bones will continue to-morrow. Professor Eckley is to be called to tell the jury what he knows about bones, both human and lower animas. The experts are not expected to finish before the middle of next week. When they get through Luetgert is expected to go on the stand. Already State's Attorney Decton is receiving requests for passes on "Lucturer" day.

Third Day's Session of that Body at Mor gantown-Great Deal of linsiness Trans acted-Appeal of the Missionary Society Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Oct. 1 .-The Methodist Episcopal conference opened the third day's session at 9 a. m. with Bishop Mailalieu in the chair. The business session was preceded by a half hour devotional service led by Rev. Dr. G. C. Wilding, at the close of which the journal of the previous session was read

journal of the previous session was read and approved.

The report of the West Virginia Conference seminary at Buckhannon was read, and Dr. Hutchinson, the president addressed the conference in behalf of the school, setting forth the advantages offered and the spiendid work done the past year, and the outlook for the future of the seminary.

Dr. Buell, dean of the Boston University of Theology, was introduced and in an eloquent talk set forth the great advantages of a higher and better education. A report of the publishing house at New York was read, showing a net profit of \$100,000 for the past year's sale of literature, \$1,300 of this amount was given to the West Virginia conference as given to the West Virginia conference as its share of the dividends. This amount es into the fund for worn out minis

Dr. A. J. Palmer, of New York, one of Dr. A. J. Palmer, of New York, one of the secretaries of the missionary society, was introduced and spoke of the great work being done by his society. He said forty thousand people ate their breakfast this morning bought with money given by the missionary society, which enabled them to carry light and life to the heath-en world. He told how a few weeks ago through this society, thirty thousand souls in famine stricken India had been kept alive for a month that otherwise might have perished. At the close of his speech he made an eloquent and touchspeech he made an eloquent and touch-ing appeal to all present to join an army of ten thousand persons pledging them-selves to give \$20 each to lift the debt of

selves to give \$20 each to lift the debt of \$200,000 hanging over the society. About fifty persons piedged themselves.
Dr. J. W. Bashford, president of the Ohio Wesleyan University, was next presented and spoke eloquently in the praise of the work done by that institution.
Following these addresses, which consumed nearly all of the forenoon, the traveling ministers made the reports of their work for the past year. These reports in the main showed great gains on all lines of church work. The cabinet work goes smoothly and thus far but few important changes have been made.
The anniversary of the missionary society was held to-night. Dr. J. W. Bashford, of Delaware, Ohio, was the principal speaker.

### MRS. ATKINSON'S TRIAL

Begun in the Gilmer Court-Demurrer to

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer GLENVILLE, W. VA., Oct. 1.-The case of Mrs. Myra H. Atkinson, wife of Governor George W. Atkinson, in the Circuit Court of Gilmer County, upon the charge of forgery, was begun here to-day. Mrs. Atkinson, who has been under bond for her appearance, arrived in the Court during the morning session, agecompanied by Governor Alkinson and

Weston, and by other members of her party.

When the case was reached upon the docket Judge Brannon appeared for Mrs. Akkinson and entered a general demurrer to the indictment. The demurrer was at once set for argument, and Judge Brannon opened for the defense. His argument was a lengthy discussion of legal technicalities admitting the execution of laspers on the part of Mrs. Akkinson, but mpers on the part of Mrs. Atkinson, but

impers on the part of Mrs. Atkinson, but denying that they were forgeries in any sense, legal or otherwise.

The case, when Judge Brannon concluded, was continued until 7 o'clock this evening, when R. G. Lynn, for the prosecution, commenced the argument against the demurrer. The decision of Judge Blizzard will be rendered to mortal the demurrant of the demurran row morning. If the demurrer is over-ruled the trial will commence at once. Both sides are fully lined up and the case # attracting wide attention.

Jumped off a Moving Train.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Oct. 1 .- Sam Defoe and William Coburn, sons of well known farmers of Wayne county, jumped off a Norfolk & Western freight train at Lavelette last night, while the train was running with full speed. Deoe was seriously hurt about the head and Coburn had a leg broken, and was and coourn and a leg proken, and was otherwise seriously hurt. Neither may get well. They jumped onto a cattle guard. The young men were returning from the Scioto valley, where they had been at work.

### CHINESE LABORERS

Who Have Sneaked Into the Country Un

der Guise of Merchants. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—About 40 Thinese laborers have been landed in this city during the last five months and have been given free entry in the guise of merchants and students. They are now working in the orchards in Various parts of the state, in the salmon can eries on the Columbia river and in ozens of small China town factories of

arious kinds. Yesterday forty-one of them wer Yesterday forty-one of them were allowed to pass through the custom house and an additional hundred went into quarantine on Wednesday night, from the steamer Dork, and are expected to be released to-day. These laborers have nearly all come in on certificates issued in Macso, a dependence of Portugal and which, under an opinion of the attorney general of the United States delivered May, 1896, must be recognized as prima facle evidence of recognized as prima facle evidence of the right of their bearers to land. The opinion was in effect that the British registrar general at Hong Kong,

British registrar general at Hong Kong, the commissioner of customs at Canton and the officer of any other foreign country possessing dependencies in Calna should be recognized as competent to sign such documents. No identification at this port is called for and in short, it seems as though a simple means has been found to successfully evade the Chinese restriction acts.

### Queen Regent Receives Sagarta.

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MADRID. Oct. 1.—Marsimi Martines.
Campos was in conference with the queen regent to-day for an hour and a half. He expressed the opinion that a change of policy was possible with the present chamber if the majority supported the new cabinet's economic measures and attitude toward the colonies.

Afterwards the queen regent received Senor Fagnasta and Sevor Pidal, president of the chamber of deputies. Tomarrow she will make her decision. Her majesty to-day expressed a deate to raile, of possible the present chambers believing that a general election would have a disturbing effect. For this, however, a conservative cabinet would be necessary. None of the liberals are inciling to december the conservative cabinet would be necessary.

### TOOK THEIR LIVES. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Sensational Suicides in New York and Philadelphia.

THE BRIDEGROOM OF A DAY

Suddenly Throws Himself out o A Hotel Window.

A MOTHER'S SHOCKING DEED

She Kills Her Four Children and ther Commits Suicide by Asphyxiation. Four Other Persons in New York Shuffis off by Various Methods-Philadelphin Ad is Two More to the List-One Was a Prominent Democratic Politician and a Lawyer of Marked Ability.

NEW YORK, Oct. 1 .- Dr. Robert W. Flagg, a well known resident of Yonkers, being seized with an attack of acuts mania, in the presence of his bride of one day, leaped out of a window of the Murray Hill hotel to-day, and falling on the sidewalk, received injuries which resulted in his death. His skull was fractured, one of his legs was broken in two places and he sustained internal injuries.

Dr. and Mrs. Flagg reached the hotel about midnight and after registering, were assigned to rooms. Both appeared to be in good spirits and breakfasted about 8 o'clock this morning. They

chatted with each other and seemed not to have a care. After breakfast they returned to their rooms and had been there only about fifteen minutes when Mrs. Flagg rushed screaming down the stairs to the lobby of the hotel. Her hus band had jumped out of the window

stairs to the lobby of the hotel. Her nusband had jumped out of the window.
Dr. Flagg was picked up. His skull had
been fractured, his leg broken and he
had received severe bruises of the body.
He was carried into the hotel, where
his wife met him calmly. The ambulance surgeon said the man was dying.
Mrs. Flagg who was a Miss Eleanor
Hurner, of this city, is about twenty-six
years of age, and decidedly good lookling. She said at the hospital that in
conversation with her husband the latter had become greatly excited and
rushed to the window and jumped out.
She tried to restrain him, but he thrust
her aside and jumped. At. Dr. Flagg's
residence in Yonkers, it was said that
when he left home yesterday he was in
a very nervous condition.

A MOTHER'S AWFUL DEED.

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Kills Her Four Children and Then Com mits Sulcide. NEW YORK, Oct. 1.-A woman and

er four children were found dead by asphyxiation in the West Shore hotel, Forty-second street and Eleventh aveme, this morning. The woman had evi dently killed her children and commit-

ed to be about forty years old. teen and the other about seven and two rirls, about thirteen and seven years of

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.-Theodore Mil-

ler, a clothing cutter of this city, committed suicide to-day, by shooting him

Mrs. Bertha Hummel took carbolic ac d at her home in Brooklyn to-day and ded shortly afterwards. She had been despondent for some time. She was marded and had two children. Rudolph Kroke took carbolle acid at his home in this city to-day and died an hour later. He was fifty-seven years of

age.

C. E. K. Royce, fifty-five years old, who registered at the Grand Union hotel, from San Francisco, on Tuesday last, was found dead to-day in his room. He had committed suicide by inhaling

### PHILADELPHIA'S CONTRIBUTION To the Startling List-One Suicide a Prom

Inent Democratic Politician.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., October

commit suicide within a few doors of each other. Josiah Danfels, of Woods town, N. J., who came to the Delaware Avenue House, No. 6 North Delaware avenue, was found dead in his room. H had taken laudanum. A note addr to his father, was found with the pa thetic confession:

"I have been a disgrace to you and myself, and the sooner I am dead the

Daniels was about forty years old and while at the hotel, of quiet manners.
Robert Jones Monaghan, a prominer
lawyer, of West Chester, and wel
known in state Democratic circles, com
mitted suicide, last sight or early thi known in state Democratte circles, committed suicide, last night or early this morning, at the Ridgeway House, Delawarae avenue and Market street, by inhaling illuminating gas. Mr. Monaghas came to the hotel yesterday and registered as John F. Warren, of Wilmington, Del. No one knew him, and, after paying for his room he retired. He was not seen egain until his body was found about noon to-day. He had placed a rubper tube over the gas jet, and placing one end in his mouth, inhaled the dealy fuel. He left no message to, indicate his motive in taking his life, but it is believed his mind was affected. He was about forty-five ypairs old and herves a widow and two children. He was admitted to the Chester county bar in 1872, and rapidly rose to a position of emigence. He manifested of

ount of his movements.
After being treated in a private asylwas on the editorial star of the Lead by body and foundard by body and foundard boning his name. His foring his marine, little of the control of the lead of the l

### TRAIN HELD UP

WHEELING, W. VA., SATURDAY, OBTOBER 2, 1897.

On the Rock Island Road in Indian Ter ritory—Passengers Plucked of \$300 and Valuables.

EL RENO, L. T., Oct. 1 .- Bandits robbed the south bound Rock Island passenger train and all its passengers at 11 o'clock this forencon, at siding No. , about five miles south of Minco, in the Indian Territory. The railroad and express officials have feared a hold up in that section for several weeks and armed guards have been put aboard all night trains at El Reno and carried through to Chickasha. It had not been thought that outlaws were bold enough to attack a train in midday. This morning the trainmen were completely surprised and they were not prepared to offer any resistance when five masked offer any resistance when five masked men came upon them at the lonely sid-

The place is uninhabited, the only per

Ing.
The place is uninhabited, the only persons in the vicinity at the time were four section men. The section men flagged the train, the robbers having compelled them to do so. The bandits were nidden at the time in a brush pile and jumped out as soon as the passenger train had taken the siding.

Under the pressure of Winchesters and ugly looking six shooters, the trainmen, the express messenger and all of the passengers were made to climb down from the train and stand in a line, hands up, on the prairie along the railway. While three of the robbers covered the badly frightened crowd with their guns, the other two coolly and carefully robbed them, passing from one passenger to another down the line. The bandits secured about \$200 in cash and such other valuables, in the way of watches,

secured about \$300 in cash and such other valuables, in the way of watches, pins and jewelry, as were in sight.

The passengers and the trainmen having been thoroughly plucked, three of the bandits turned their attention to the express and mail coaches, the others standing guard over the helpless crowd on the track. The registered mail pouches were quickly rifled, but the through safe in the express car resisted all the force and ingenuity of the road agents. When the messenger had convinced the bandits that they could not open the strong box, they resorted to

vinced the bandits that they could not open the strong box, they resorted to dynamite. Several heavy charges were exploded, but the safe proved bandit proof, and though it was badly battered, its contents were saved to the express company.

Having taken forcible possession of everything that they could carry away, the bandits mounted their horses and rode off toward the west. Posses of citizens from Chickasha, El Rene and other points are in hot pursuit of the gang.

### LONG CABINET MEETING,

But Nothing of Interest Transpires—Min-ister Woodford's Strange Silence on the Spanish Crisis.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1... The first meeting of the cabinet since the return of the President from Massachusetts was held to-day, and was attended by every member, except Secretary Gage who is not in Washington. The meeting

who is not in washington. The incertis lasted longer than usual, in explanation of which fact it was said that several control is the said that said that said the said that said the said that said that said the said that said th

ernment's case against the Union Pacific railroad also came in for a good deal of consideration. Indeed, it is said that the only action of the cabinet today was in the direction of closing up of this issue, and it can be stated that the details of the plans of the government have been arranged at last.

The Spanish cabinet crisis attracted much attention, and was discussed at come length: For some reason, Minister Woodford has still left his government officially unadvised of the recent happenings in Madrid, and nothing has been heard from him stree his interview. penings in Madrid, and mothing has been heard from him since his interview with the Duke of Tetuan, the Spanish ninister for foreign affairs in the last abinet. This fast compelled a reliance upon newspaper reports of the recent important events in Spain.

It may be said that there seems to be sensed belief events the members of

a general belief among the members of the President's official family that the Madrid crisis, if not making for our own good, cannot be expected to injure our relations with Spain. This belief is based upuon the idea that if a con-servative cabinet succeeds the Azcarrag ministry, the worst that can happen will be a continuation of the present line of policy, for Spain is too near an end of her finanacial resources to put forth more strenuous efforts to subdue the Cubana. On the other hand it is bemore strenuous efforts to subdue the Cubans. On the other hand, it is believed that a Liberal ministry will almost certainly offer good opportunities for bringing the present war to a close. The conditions in Hawall, as revealed to Admiral Beardslee, were talked of and with evident satisfaction. The cabinet received the admiral's statement that in all of his stay in Hawallan waters his relations with the Japanese officials, on shore and on the Japanese officials, on shore and on the ruiser Naniwa, were of the most pleas ant nature.

Government Receipts and Expenditures WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 1 .- The monthly statement government receipts nd expenditures during September, 1897, shows the receipts to have been \$21,933,098 and the expenditures \$25,368,-815, an excess of expenditures over reipts of \$3,435,717. For the three elpts of \$3,435,717. months of the lists year the excess has been \$29.015,954, as compared with Sep-tember, 1896, there is a loss of \$2,501,146 in the amount of the revenues and a de-arrease of \$1,210,729 in the expenditures. The receiptive September last are giv-

#12.701,875; friscellaneous, \$1,233,022.
As compared with September, 1896,this is a doss of about \$23,400,000 from custous and a gale of about \$1,000,000 from

Pive Tickets in the Field.

# ducts, which has caused a little further advance in prices, while pig iron is also higher, twenty-live cents for Bessemer at Pittsburgh, with purchases of 20,000 tous by one concern, and as much higher for anthractic No. 1 at the cast, with No. 2 advanced by the association to 10 50 and Southern No. 2, no longer offered below \$8 at Birmingham. The average advance in all iron and steel point, is still restricted by addition of many turnacel, and other works of those in operation. Patheres for the week have been 184 in the United States, sixainst \$80 inst year, and thirty-four in Canada, against forty-six last year. Patent Attorneys Disbarred. WASHINGTON, Oct. 1 .- John Wed

lerhurn & Co., of this city, to-day wa derhurn & Co., of this city, to-day was disbarred from practice before the interior department as patent attorneys or ageits. The action of Commissioner Practice work is abased on section 45-ce the revised statutes. The firm is held to have been guilty of "gross fraud and improfessional conduct." The postmaster general has been notified of the finding, which was made after a long investigation following complaints of other attorneys, who filed charges against the firm. Window Glass Combine.
PITTEBURGH, Pa., Oct. 1.—The way and means committee of the new Amercan Window Glass Association met here o-day and made arrangements to es combination is Pittsburgh, and issued a call for a meeting for all firms concern-ed in the consolidation to be held next Thursday in this city, for the purposs of ratifying the action of the committee and election of officers.

### Public Debt Statement.

COLUMBUS, O. Oct. 1,-The negre-protective party by petition to-day wa WASHINGTON, Oct. 1,-The month y treasury statement shows that at the protective party by perition to day we placed on the Ohio ballot sheet. This makes five state tickets with the gol Democrats to come. The negro party by mandamus, will try to compel the secretary of state to put Lincoln's ple pure at the mead of their column on the ticket as their emblems. se of business September 30, 1897, the was \$1,012.122.713, an increase since August 20 of \$3,787,592. This increase is accounted for by a corresponding decrease in the amount of cash on hand-

### SAFFRON SCOURGE.

Another Record Breaking Day at New Orleans-Cases Cropping Up in All Di-rections-At Other Points.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 1 .- To-day was again something of a record breaker in the matter of new cases. They cropped up in all directions up to 6 o'clock. Thu death record was still low. The fever is rapidly spreading in many directions but the large majority of cases are proving to be of a harmless type. The weather is warm and the conditions excell ent for new cases. But the death rate percentage has fallen considerably below the record of 1879.

The most important new case is Dr. Beverly Warner, the pastor of the Trinity church, His case is a mild one. Rich and poor alike have been striken to-day and the board of health reports seem to show that the best drained and kep streets are presenting cases as numer-ously as those which are minus of sani-

The fever here, of course, has not been The fever here, of course, has not been declared epidemic, and for that reason physicians are dishedhed to report yellow fever. A number of doctors said tonight in a formal protest, that if their names are reported in connection with yellow fever cases their practice would be ruined. Nobody would send for them if they have had anything to do with yellow fever.

MOBILE, ALA., Oct. 1.-The incr of number of cases continues slow, there being but seven cases reported to-day. One death, Mrs. A. Hoffman, on Seventh street, near Jefferson,was mentioned last

A suspicious case is reported to-night A suspicious case is reported to-night in the heart of the city, G. F. Strener, keeper of the Delicatesen restaurant, living on St. Emanuel etreet, near Dauphin. Dr. Edwards, at St. Elmo, twenty miles south of Mobile, on the Leuisville & Nashville, reports four suspicious cases, which he diagnosed as yellow fever. A suspicious case is reported at Grand Bay on the same line.

OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS., Oct. 1 .- A postal agent was taken off the train at Fontainbleau last night, sick and placed in the camp hospital.

ed in the camp hospital.

Mr. Levy, from Biloxi, is sick at the same place. Dr. Kells, of Scranton, took sick to-day and was brought down to the camp hospital. Two new cases are reported at McHenry to-day.

EDWARDS, Miss., Oct. 1.-Dr. Dunn of the state board, to-night gave the As-sociated Press the following statement: Nineteen new cases have been report-

Nineteen new cases have been reported to-day, of which eleven are white, and eight colored.

Deaths to-day, none; total deaths to date, nine. Total number of cases to date, 284; number convalescent and discharged, 151; number under treatment, 124; number-very sick, 5; sick with black venit; two vomit, two.

Rev. Colmery and family are doing

### TO SAVE L FE

By Preventing Railroad Accidents-An Ingen our Device Tested. ST. PAUL, Oct. 1.—A very ingenious and valuable contrivence for the saving of life by preventing ratifold accidents

through forgetfulness of trainmen has been invented. The machine has just stood a very severe test on the Great Northern railroad, after having been previously operated successfully on the previously operated successfully on the St. Paul & Duluth road. Practical railroad men in this section have given strong endorsements to the device after seeing its work. The object of the device is to provide an accurate and reliable reminder signal and distance indicator for locomotive, by means of which engineers are prevented from forgetting their train orders as to stopping or meeting points. The mechanicism is simply but positively connected with the forward trucks of the engine, thereby accurately measuring the distance travel. curately measuring the distance traved, the dial-placed in front of the en ed, the dial-placed in front of the engineer showing correctly the distance traveled. Above the dial are placed fifteen triggers or dogs, pivoted at equal distances around the centre. When the engineer receives his orders he sets one or more of these triggers to a point one mile short of the distance to be traveled before reaching the stopping place. The mileage indicator on reaching such point releases the trigger which starts a signal whistle blowing. This continues to blow for one-quarter of a mile, promptly warning the engineer of the near apfor one-quarter of a mile, prompt warning the engineer of the near a proach to the stopping place. If the c gineer is inattentive and fails to st when this last mile has been run ov the machine sets the air brake and sto the train for him. A train similar equipped, coming in the opposite dire tion, would be stopped in the same ma per and a collision prevented. The deviner and a collision prevented. The device can be made to run forward or bac ward. For foggy or stormy weather, for dark nights the device is consider especially valuable for ordinary road use, although its life saving feature was

sepecially valuable for oddinary reactives, although its life saving feature was the point at first sought for.

After a trialion the St. Paul & Duluth, and repeated trials on the Fergus Falls division of the Great Northern, the new invention was given an unusual test on the recent trip of President J. J. Hill to the coast and back. For this trip the new scheme of one engine, No. 663, with Engineer John Kilbane for the entire trip, was tried and the new life saving device was on the engine. For the 1.820 miles to Seattle on the Great Northern, 197 to Fortland on the Northern Pacific, 450 to Spokane on the Origon Raliway & Navigation Company, and through Montara, back to St. Paul, the new device measured all distances with accuracy and by other tests completely demonstrated its nbility to do all claimed for fit vice measured all distances with accur
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President Hill has approved it wi
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it has been made with the inventor
working model.

NEW YORK, Oct. 1.-A New York

merchant, who has extensive busines interests in Cuba and is kept inform of the progress of the insurrection is trustworthy correspondents in difference parts of the island, received word to day that Col. Esidemero Acosta, of the day that Col. Balacine Access to the insurgent army, has safely landed in Vera Cruz. He is scriously wounded this wife is with him. The correspond ont concludes by saying that the insurgents were never stronger than they are to-day, from the extreme east to the extreme west.

### Labor Riots in Poland. ST, PETERSBURG, Oct. 1.-A serie

labor dispute is in progress at Dam brown, Poland. Four thousand fiv hundred iron workers have gone out of then and on the strikers, killing sort then and seriously wounding four, government has dispatched addition troops to the scene of the strike.

# RECORDS BROKEN.

On the Track of the Illinois State Fair Grounds.

### STAR POINTER'S GREAT FEAT

In Beating His Old Time Antagon ist Joe Patchen.

### THE PACING RECORD LOWERED.

Pointer Goes the Third Heat in the Marvelous Time of 2:00 1-2, Beating His Own Time Made at Indianapelia Twe Weeks ago by Half a Second-Stallion Trotting Record Eclipsed by William Penn, who went Under the wire in the First Heat in 2:07 3-4.

SPRINGFIELD, IIL, Oct. 1.-In a race hat was witnessed by at least 65,000 people, Star Pointer,on the Illinois State fair grounds, this afternoon, not only maintained his reputation as the king of pacers, by beating Joe Patchen, but he also lowered the world's pacing record in a race by a half second, making a mile in 2:00%, the record in a race having been 2:01, which Star Pointer made on Saturday, September 18, at Indianapolis, when he defeated Joe Patchen-Star Pointer was greeted with tremendons cheers by the assembled the sands, as he passed under the wire in the third heat and the announcement of the lowering of the world's pacing record in a race was received with tumiltuous applause.

The record for 1837 for stallions, was also broken by William Penn, in the first heat of the free-for-all trot, he making the mile in 2:07%.

The great race between the two fastest pacers in the world had the result of bringing on the state fair grounds the

est pacers in the world had the result of bringing on the state fair grounds the largest crowd ever assembled there. It is estimated that there were 65,000 peo-ple on the grounds, the largest ever known at a state fair in Illinols. In the grand stand not even standing room was obtainable. Thousands of people lined the race track on both sides for fully one-third of its length. The track was in splendid condition, and there was fast time and sensational finishes in several races. When the two great in several races. When the two great in several races. When the two great pacers made their appearance they were greeted with cheers. On the first they got a nice start, Patchen having the pole, but after going a few hundred feet, Star Pointer broke baddy, and before he recovered, Joe Patchen was about an eighth of a mile ahead of him. Joe Patchen finished the heat in a jog in 2:14, amid cheers, with Star Pointer 200 to 300 feet behind. The first quarter was made in 30½, the half in 1:70%, the three-quarters in 1:38% and the mills in three-quarters in 1:36% and the mile in

Star Pointer was given the pole in the second heat and the two horses started even, but Joe Patchen soon broke and lost a cozen or more lengths, the gained on Pointer toward the % and rapidly overhauled him, McCleary holdng his horse back. Down the home wo, but Pointer maintained his lead not passed under the wire half a length head. Pointer made the first quarter in 0, half in 1:03; three quarters in 1:38½, and the mile in 2:05, the last quarter be-

mg made in 23%
The third heat was a wildly exciting me and was a race for blood from the start. After three ineffectual attempts e horses got off together. Pointer soon ok the lead and in the first quarter he took the lead and in the first quarter he was one and a half lengths in the lead. The black pulled up some toward the half, and when that was reached Pointer was but three-fourths of a length ahead. Then Patchen lost and gained again, and at the three-quarters was not one length behind. When near the wire Patchen fell behind, however, and Pointer won by five or six lengths. The time by quarters, was as follows:

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First, :23%; second 1:00; third, 1:30%; mite, 2:00%.

The weather was intensely hot and scores of men and women of the thousands who had stood in the sun along the race track for hours with the mercury at ninety-one in the shade, faint-

Thousand Mile Ticket Test. LANSING, Mich., Oct 1-A suit rought two years ago by Henry C. brought two years ago by Henry C.

Smith against the Lake Shore Rallway
Co., involving the validity of an act
passed by the legislature of 1891, compelling railroads to issue a 1.000 mils
ticket, good for any member of a family, for \$20, has just been sustained by
the state supreme court, which decides
that the legislature had the power te
enact such a law. The opinion was by
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ustice Montgomery, Justices Long and core concurring, and Justices Hooker and Grant dissenting.

The ticket issued under this act is good for two years from the date of is-

## Another Iron Mill to Resume

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Oct. 1.—The Pottsville Iron & Steel Company, which went into a receiver's hands several months ago, has formulated plans of re-organization by which the plant may resume and give employment to the one hundred hands. It is proposed to issue first mortgage bonds amounting to \$550,000, with which to rehabilitate the will and for a working capital. The \$35,000, With which capital. The preferred creditors will accept second mortgage, bonds to satisfy their claims of about \$15,000, and the unpreferred creditors will be given \$450,000 in preferred stock.

Movements of Steamships NEW YORK-Michigan, from Lon-

LIVERPOOL-Britannic, from New Ork.
MOVILLE—Ethopia, for New York.
GENOA—Werta, New York.
QUEENSTOWN—Catalonia, for Bos

SOUTHAMPTON-Fuerst Elsmarck

or New York, NAPLES—Ems, for New York, ANTWERP—Nederland, for Philadel-NEW YORK - Auguste Victoria, lamburg: Stuttgart, Bremen. COPENHAGEN-Sicilia, New York, HAMBURG-Nermannia, New York,

Weather Forecast for To Day. WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—For West Inginia—Pair, easterly winds, shifting southerly. For Western Pennsylvania and Ohio

Fulr, not so warm; light to fresh isterly winds. Local Temperature. The temperature yesterday as observed by C. Hehnepf, druggist, corner Fourteenth and Market streets, was as follows: